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April 25 1862

My dear friend:

I dropped you
a few lines this morn and
closed somewhat frostily. I
sent a communication to the
General about my illness and
he at once gave me leave
of absence from duty for
24 hours. I was so vexed
at Colonel Fors for detailing
me to go out to night that
I feel much better now - my
blood got warmed up I
tell you. All is right now.
I will not trouble anybody
for fovers after tonight.

My dear, if I should
be injured in the coming
battle, you will not be

able to visit me. - As an order
has been issued prohibiting
relatives or friends from visit-
ing Camps, and promising
that the wounded shall be
well cared for. So, see, in any
case, do not attempt to come
on here. I do not anticipate
much loss of life as fighting will
be done principally by artillery
at long range. If rebels try to
capture guns then we will
have close fighting. I do not
apprehend a battle (we are fighting
all the time) for several days yet.

When the siege of Yorktown
is ended I will give you all
particulars. Both armies are at
work day and night entrenching
themselves. Kiss little Annie
for me.

M. Sperry

W. Remembers me to Major
Miss Keary Miss Reed Miss
Moran - Mr. White (two I miss
her cherry cordial) Mrs. Mulvey.
~~also~~ also Mrs. F. Gambell - Mrs. B.
Gambell Mr. Mulvey etc.

For want of another envelope
I must repress my warm letter
to enclose this. Plenty of Stationery
ahead - in Richmond - will be
there soon - some of us.

M. Sperry